OTAY MESA-NESTOR COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP MEETING MINUTES 12 May 2010

Members Present:Dist. 7 Ira BriggsDist. 15 Walt ZumsteinDist. 1 John SwansonDist. 8 Myrna BriggsDist. 16 Steve Schroeder

Dist. 2 Sam Mendoza Dist. 9 Vinnie Thoms

Dist. 3 Ed Abrahim Dist. 10 Bob Mikloski **Members Absent:**Dist. 4 Diane Porter Dist. 11 Marie Johnson Dist. 12 Carlos Sanchez

Dist. 5 Diego Padilla Dist. 13 Daniel Wagner Dist. 6 Maria Mendoza Dist. 14 Wayne Dickey

Guests Present:

Maria Fuentes, resident Emma Reese, resident, Bobby Hicks, resident

1. **Call to Order/Introduction of Members:** The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Daniel Wagner, Chair, at the Otay Mesa Branch Library. He welcomed all Board members and the community to the meeting of the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Planning Group (OMNCPG).

- 2. **Approval of minutes** Motion by Daniel Wagner to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2010, OMNCPG meeting, and the motion was passed unanimously.
- 3. **Non-Agenda Public Comments:** Wayne Dickey said that Stage II of the Otay Valley Regional Park will be dedicated on May 21, 2010. He also said that another Community Orientation Workshop will be held by the City of San Diego on May 15, 2010 in Kearney Mesa.
- 4. **Council District 8 Report:** Whitney Benzian said that the bond money for the sidewalk repairs is available, and that the repair work began in April, 2010, and is scheduled to be completed in summer, 2011. He said that Councilmember Hueso recently met with business owners west of I-5 on Palm Avenue to discuss ways to improve the business area. He said that the Safe Routes to School program has identified \$900,000 in grants to four schools in the Otay Mesa-Nestor Community Plan Area. He noted that citizens can call the District 8 office to report graffiti.
- 5. **SDPD Community Relations:** No report. Officer Apodaca's phone number is 619-424-0438, and his email address is rapodaca@pd.sandiego.gov
- 7. Informational Item: Julio Fuentes, of the City of San Diego, made a presentation of traffic calming achievements in Nestor. He said that in 2007 a working group was formed who studied the whole community. Workshops were held, and recommendations were made regarding speeding, visibility and sidewalks. As a result, recommendations were made to install or modify road humps, sidewalks, pop-outs, automatic speed signs, and crosswalks in many areas of South Bay. The City is now engaging the community to see which of these recommendations to install, with the funding available. In addition, a project has been approved to repair Saturn Blvd. from Palm Avenue to Leon. In total, 2.5 million dollars in grants have been awarded to the City of San Diego for these traffic calming projects in South Bay.
- **8. Action Item:** Clearwire did not attend to make a presentation regarding a Wireless Communication facility.

- 9. Chair's Report: Chairman Daniel Wagner said that the OMNCPG traffic calming sub-committee will be involved in the Traffic Calming Group, which is now forming. He also said that the Master Storm Water System Maintenance Program was recently recommended for approval at the Community Planners Committee. He also said that the City of San Diego is proposing to reduce the number of parking spaces required for low-income housing. Steve Schroeder was elected to be the official representative of the OMNCPG and represent that the group is not in favor of reducing parking requirements (Walter/Sam Motion approved). A public meeting will be held May 18, 2010 at the City Heights Urban Village regarding this topic. Several members of the OMNCPG will attend this meeting.
- **10. Sub-Committee Reports:** Marie Mendoza said
 - **a.** They reviewed the proposed Clearwire facility project, but were informed that the item was informational only at this meeting.
 - **b.** They also reviewed the Ocean View Church renovation plans to add an additional 40,000 square feet of floor area in the next 10 20 years. They were concerned about the impacts of the design on traffic and the height of the proposed cross structure. John Pyjar of Dominic & Assoc. attended the sub-committee meeting representing the Baptist Church.
- 11. Long Range City Planner's Report: No report.
- 12. Other Business/Announcements:
 - **a.** Vinnie Thoms attended the transportation workshop.
 - **b.** Steve Schroeder said that the City needs to celebrate the 128th anniversary of John J. Montgomery's flight.
- **13. Adjournment:** 7:08 p.m.

Respectively submitted by John C. Swanson, Secretary

The next meeting is June 9, 2010, at 6:30 p.m., at the Otay Mesa/Nestor Branch Library.